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STATE-WIDE FIGHT IN PARTY CAUCUS

Plan to Dispose of Liquor Legislation Early in Session.

AFFECTS APPROPRIATIONS

Party Pledged to Certain Expenditures and May Increase Taxes.

It is the impression among the members and members-elect of the next General Assembly that the question of legislation on the subject of state-wide prohibition will be disposed of one way or the other at the first joint Democratic caucus held. Two reasons are assigned for this course first, it is then decided that there is to be no lawmaking of this kind, the Legislature may feel assured that there will be no debates on the subject, and it can proceed to give its attention to the important business of the State; second, should the caucus determine to enact a bill referring the prohibition question to the people, there will be plenty of time for the body to make preparations for increasing taxes to meet the possible deficit in revenue in case of the triumph of the prohibition cause, while the cities would at the same time have more opportunity to arrange their budgets in contemplation of smaller treasury balances.

The question is expected to come up in this manner: At the meeting of the Democratic members of the Senate and House some one will offer a resolution to the following effect—"In view of the apparent uncertainty as to the attitude of the Democratic party in Virginia toward the liquor question, be it resolved, by the Democrats of the General Assembly, in caucus assembled, that we reaffirm our allegiance to the policy of local option, as expressed in our last State Convention."

Caucus Would Decide. When this is offered, should there be any member who wishes to have a bill passed referring the State prohibition question to the people, he is likely to offer a substitute, stating his views. A vote would probably be reached, following debate, and upon this vote would depend the action of the Legislature.

Early disposal of the matter would set at rest speculation, and would allow the body to proceed with the State's business. Again, it would give the Finance Committee information as to the needs of the Treasury in case prohibition should become a fact.

It is being pointed out by members of the Legislature and others familiar with the financial affairs of the Commonwealth that it is not a very profitable close to shore financially. The expenses of the government have increased greatly during the last few years, consequent upon the increase of the industrial interests of the people, resulting in the formation of new departments and increasing the work of old ones. It is anticipated that at the end of the present fiscal year there will be a balance of not more than \$50,000 in the Treasury.

Furthermore, the Democratic party is pledged to policies which involve larger expenditures to be enacted by the Legislature. Judge Mann and the party have promised a forward movement in the building of roads, and to make this a fact there must be more money at the disposal of the State Highway Commission. The party will be almost obliged to continue the work of building the Normal School at Harrisonburg. It is certainly pledged to better educational facilities. Speaker Byrd and other leaders urge the establishment of a Department of Public Accounting. It is taken almost for granted that there will be a Department of Banking. These things will all require money. Other departments already established are cramped for lack of means, having reached the point where their usefulness will be hampered without additional appropriations.

When the Finance Committee faces these facts with the possibility of State-wide prohibition, they will probably have to make provisions for increased taxation, probably on railroads, express companies, public service corporations of all kinds and persons on private corporations. With the question settled by the time the General Assembly is called to order, these committees will have time to consider the situation.

The revenue of the State from liquor licenses is about \$400,000 a year. If this is lost there must be some source of replenishing the treasury. Members of the law-making body say they will not follow the example of Alabama, which is nearly bankrupt because the Legislature enacted prohibition without raising taxes.

Then the cities would be put on notice of the possibility of prohibition, and could so arrange their expenditures as to meet their deficits. Richmond has an income of \$75,000 a year from her retail saloons—\$500 from each of the 150. This is exclusive of the social clubs, wholesale houses, beer agencies and similar business houses.

ONLY TWO MAY SKATE AHEAD

Committee Proposes New Ordinance to Regulate Use of Sidewalks.

After considering a long petition signed "State Lovers of Richmond," the subcommittee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform yesterday afternoon recommended an ordinance which, while it is not so stringent as the law now in force, allows the skaters certain privileges, without giving the unrestricted use of the sidewalks, and clearly defines what they shall and shall not do. The committee's recommendations were placed in the hands of the City Attorney, who will draft a proper resolution by the next meeting of the Council.

Some of the most important stipulations of the proposed ordinance are that not more than fifteen persons can skate on the sidewalks of any one block, except on that adjacent to a public park; that no one will be allowed to skate on a block where there is a case of sickness, if the noise disturbs the patient, or where one-half of the property owners on the block object in the form of a written petition directed to the Chief of Police.

The paper goes further to state that all skating on sidewalks, except next to public parks, must cease by 10 o'clock at night. In addition, not more than two will be allowed to skate abreast, nor will any "trailing," that is skating in tandem with two or more in line, be allowed.

In regard to skating on streets paved with asphalt blocks, the existing law has been modified. Formerly it read that the skaters on such thoroughfares could use the streets, but would not be allowed to use the sidewalks. Now, if the new law is passed, people living on these streets will be free to use the sidewalks on the same plane as the rest, provided they conform to the other requirements. Members of the committee believe that this ordinance will solve the problem of roller-skating, and will put an end to the bickering that has been going on for more than two years.

JUVENILE COURTS TO BE ADVOCATED

Charities Committee to Meet Monday—Other Conferences Follow.

Juvenile courts are likely to form an issue at the coming session of the General Assembly. It is expected that a bill will be introduced providing for separate courts for children.

Details of the legislation will be discussed at a meeting next Monday of the Committee on Legislation and on Juvenile Courts of the State Conference of Charities. This committee was appointed at the meeting last May in Lynchburg of the State body.

It is understood that it is the judgment of the members of the committee, who have been studying the question that separate judges will not be asked for, but that provision should be made for the trial of children at different hours from those at which the regular Police Courts are held. It is contended that this course will be a great improvement on the system of mixing those of tender years with hardened, mature criminals.

The method is now being generally followed in large cities. It is proposed to make the new provision apply to all the cities of the State.

The meeting of the committee will be held Monday night at 8 o'clock in the office of the State Board of Charities and Corrections, in the State Capitol.

Following these meetings, the regular semi-annual meeting of the State Board of Charities will be held in the office of its secretary, Rev. J. T. Maglin, on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. This meeting will be largely for the transaction of routine business.

MANY WOULD HOLD FEDERAL OFFICE

Shake-Up Expected When Terms of Appointees Expire Next Month.

MARSHAL MAY LOSE OUT

Collector Lowry Will Also Be Vigorously Opposed for Reappointment.

Next month may be an unusually active one in local Federal circles, as the terms of office in several of the most important government positions in the Eastern District of Virginia will expire, and it is probable that the present officeholders will have great difficulty in securing reappointments. Reports from Washington indicate that there are many seekers after the appointments held by United States Marshal Morgan Treat and Collector of Revenue M. K. Lowry, and that the tendency of the administration will be to seek out original talent to hold office in the next four years.

Mr. Treat's term of office expires December 19, and Mr. Lowry's on December 20. Already John G. Luce, who won prominence as the Republican candidate for Congress against Captain John A. Lamb, has filed application for the collector's job, and it is said that he has strong assurances of support among politicians higher up. Mr. Luce served in the last House of Delegates of Virginia, and is said to have always been a cordial supporter of Mr. Treat.

Luce After Lowry's Job. It cannot be said whether or not Mr. Lowry's attitude in the recent Casper trial, when ugly insinuations were made against the conduct of certain of the employees in the collector's office by a former Washington revenue official, will be brought into the case, but it is positively asserted by Mr. Luce that he will not use methods of that kind in seeking the appointment. Mr. Luce filed his application "last spring, and since then has been quietly working out his plans.

The office carries a salary of \$4,500 a year, as does the office of marshal. Mr. Treat has nothing to say of the probabilities of his reappointment, and his only remark yesterday was: "I am not losing any sleep over it, but I would not be surprised if I am opposed by half a dozen applicants." Mr. Treat's strength in Washington was indicated last spring when the department, after a long delay, confirmed his appointment of Captain Asa Rogers as his chief deputy.

May Oppose Judge Lewis. Probably the keenest surprise, and one which had not been aired here until a special word was received from Washington, is the reported opposition of United States District Attorney L. L. Lewis, whose term expires in January. Judge Lewis has made a notable record as the government's attorney, and the rumor that he will be replaced is generally discredited.

Assistant United States District Attorney Robert H. Talley completes his term on December 7, 1910, and it is probable that his reappointment will depend largely on the action taken in regard to Judge Lewis. At any rate, politics of the deepest sort are interesting the Federal officeholders at present, and it remains to be seen where the power lies. No complaint is made of the conduct of any of the offices, as far as can be learned, and it is intimated that the nominations depend largely on the political strength of the aspirants. It may be several months, or even longer, before there is any change.

Fugitives Taken Back. Willie Polk and Queenie Brown, both colored, arrested here as fugitives from justice, were turned over to Deputy Sheriff Curtis, of Hampton, last night, and were taken back to that city for trial.

William Davis, colored, was arrested last night on suspicion of having stolen lead pipe from the Williams Plumbing Company, of Manchester.

Subcommittee Meeting Postponed. The meeting of those interested in the subject of juvenile courts, which was to have taken place this afternoon, has been postponed on account of the illness of Mr. Maglin. The date of the meeting will be set as soon as Mrs. Meredith is able to attend.

BRENT APPOINTED SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Late Candidate Gets High School Position in Gloucester County.

Frank P. Brent, the late Republican candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction, has his reward—at least a temporary one. He has been appointed principal of the Gloucester High School, Brent's Store, Gloucester county, at a salary of \$85 per month. The school board there is controlled by Republicans.

The school is quite a large one, there being three assistants to the principal. It appears that it was organized last year by Luther C. Lindsay. Mr. Lindsay agreed to teach again this year for \$90 per month. The first month they paid him at this rate, but for last month they paid him only \$85, whereupon Mr. Lindsay resigned. This happened on Monday of this week.

Mr. Brent was immediately appointed to the position. He taught last year at Lancaster, declining reappointment when he accepted the Republican nomination. He is well known in Richmond, where he lived for eight years, while serving as secretary to the State Board of Education. His recent active campaign has made him known all over the State.

Two recent visitors to Richmond were Mr. and Mrs. William Johnston, Jr., of Asheville, N. C. They were married some weeks ago in Wilmington, N. C., the home of the bride, who was Miss Sadie Williams, and had just returned from a bridal trip to New York, Boston and Niagara Falls. They stopped in Petersburg to visit Mrs. James R. Manson, Jr., a relative of the groom's, and came over from that city to this in order to spend an evening with relatives of Mrs. Johnston's here.

RICHMOND CASE HEARD ON APPEAL

Heckscher Against Blanton Partly Argued in Supreme Court.

INVOLVES LOCAL PARTIES

Goodrich Claims Damage From Accident at Luna Park.

On an appeal from the Law and Equity Court of the city of Richmond, the case of Heckscher and others against Blanton and others is now before the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals. The case was partly argued yesterday and continued until this morning.

The first case heard yesterday was that of the Washington Luna Park Company against Goodrich, from the Circuit Court of Alexandria county. Joseph H. Goodrich, the defendant in error, was given a verdict of \$2,000 damages in the lower court for alleged injuries to his ankle, received in a collision between two roller coaster cars of the company. The case is in Alexandria county, near Washington, D. C.

One of the grounds on which an appeal was taken is that the juryman, who advocated different amounts of damages, added up the entire sum as represented by each man's opinion and divided it by twelve, thus learning the average, and bringing it in as the verdict. The case was fully argued by John S. Barbour for the plaintiff in error, and by Charles P. Diggs and Leo P. Harlow for the defendant in error, and submitted.

Heckscher and others against Blanton and others was partly argued by Hill Montague for the plaintiffs in error, and by R. Lynch Montague for the defendants in error, and continued.

In this case A. Heckscher, Governor-elect, William Hodges Mann, C. N. Shuman and D. B. Cox appeal from a decree of the Richmond court rendered November 11, 1907. Joseph W. Blanton in his own right and as trustee, and J. Thompson Brown and Letoy Brown, individually and as partners trading as J. Thompson Brown & Co., are the defendants.

The plaintiffs in the lower court, creditors of the Virginia Pyrites Mining Company, owning land and mining machinery, of or near Mineral City, Louisa county, sued Blanton and the real estate firm to recover a commission which they were alleged to have divided. Blanton having been a trustee for the syndicate formed of creditors which bought in the property at public sale.

The Law and Equity Court gave judgment for J. Thompson Brown & Company, but against Blanton. The latter had, however, in the meantime, been adjudged a bankrupt.

Cases in Call.

The next cases to be called are as follows: Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company against Caple's administration, Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company against the Southern Express Company, Johnson against Michaux, Board of Handley Trustees against the Winchester Memorial Hospital and others, Bradley & Company against the City of Richmond, City of Danville against Thornton, Miller and others against Penman & Brother and others, Young and others against the Camp Manufacturing Company and Wright and others against the Camp Manufacturing Company, being cases Nos. 7 to 15, inclusive, on the argument docket.

MAGGIE WALKER FINED

Palmer Holmes Convicted of Selling Liquor to Street Car Men.

Maggie L. Walker, secretary and treasurer of the "Right and Wrongful Council of the Independent Order of Sons and Daughters of St. Luke," pleaded guilty in the Police Court yesterday morning to the charge of having violated the State insurance laws, and was fined \$20 and costs on each of three counts. The warrants declared that she had admitted three minors under the age of sixteen to the organization which she represents.

Palmer Holmes (colored), a track walker for the Virginia Railway and Power Company, charged with selling liquor without a license, was sentenced to sixty days in jail, fined \$100 and placed under \$500 security for twelve months. The Commonwealth was aided in the prosecution by Captain A. B. Guigon, attorney for the street car company, who interested himself in the case because the "blind tiger" was operated near the terminal of the railway company, a thirty-first and R streets, and sold whiskey to street car men.

BIRDS ARE HIGH, BUT PLENTIFUL

Dealers Promise Ample Supply of Thanksgiving Turkeys.

Turkey time is near at hand. Just a few days from today the big brown bird, roasted until the snowy meat is ready to crumble, flanked with crisp stalks of celery, surrounded by a moat of crimson cranberry sauce and banked against a fragrant pyramid of dressing from which the succulent chestnuts peer forth, will form the pièce de résistance of the Southern Thanksgiving dinner. It will lead a long train of sweet and appetizing dishes on the day of national gratitude.

Recently the turkey supply fell a little bit, and the big birds were hard to get anywhere. Nevertheless, the prices are staying steadily where they were before the diminution in number took place. Live turkeys are now bringing 16 cents a pound, and dressed ones are selling at from 13 to 20 cents. The dealers in the Thanksgiving bird say, though, that the price will go no higher this year than it is now.

If the weather keeps warm that will mean that nothing but live turkeys will be on the market for next Thursday, but if the thermometer falls, as seems very probable, dressed turkeys at 20 cents will be plentiful.

Mrs. Norvell Better. Mrs. Russell E. Norvell, who was operated on at the Virginia Hospital for gonorrhea several weeks ago, is rapidly improving, and was able to return to her residence at 301 East Franklin Street yesterday.

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BIBLE STUDENTS TO PARADE STREETS

Seventy Classes Will March to City Auditorium Sunday Afternoon.

WHERE THEY WILL FORM

Governor C. A. Swanson and Others to Address Federation.

Students of the Scriptures, over 2,000 strong, enrolled in the organized Bible classes of the city will form an impressive procession on Sunday afternoon, when the membership of the various classes, drawn up in parade formation, will march through the streets to the City Auditorium. At that point the federation will hold a mass-meeting at 3:30 P. M. Addresses will be made by Governor Claude A. Swanson, Rev. Joseph T. Watts, Sunday school secretary of the Baptist General Association, and Author Holmes, Ph. D., professor of psychology in the University of Pennsylvania.

A great deal of enthusiasm has been shown in the federation of Bible classes, as is demonstrated in the agreement of seventy classes to march to the City Auditorium in a body. Since between two and three thousand men have agreed to join in the procession, it will be a very impressive part of the exercises.

Line of March.

The line of march for the different classes will be as follows: All classes east of Fifteenth Street will move from Fifteenth and Main Street and proceed up the north side of Main Street to Ninth Street, and thence up the eastern side of Ninth Street to Grace Street, at which point the classes assembled there will enter the line; thence along the western line of Fifth Street to Franklin Street; thence up the southern side of Franklin Street to Adams Street, at which point the classes assembled there will enter the line; thence up the south side of Franklin Street to Laurel Street; thence on the east side of Laurel Street to Cary Street, and thence on the south side of Cary Street to the Auditorium.

Parade Formation.

All classes north of Broad and east of Fifteenth Street will form on the north side of Main Street, west of Fifth Street, and be ready to move at 2:30 P. M.

Classes south of Broad Street and east of Fifteenth Street will form on the north side of Main Street and east of Fifteenth Street. These classes will report to F. T. Bates at that point, and will be ready to move at 2:15 P. M.

Classes from Manchester will form on Seventh Street, south of Grace Street. Classes between Seventh and Fifteenth Streets will form on the south side of Grace Street, between Seventh and Ninth Streets, reporting to Col. C. Morris, and be ready to move at 2:30 P. M.

Cases between Seventh and Adams Streets and north of Grace Street, including the Northside, Barton Heights and Ginter Park, will form on Fifth Street, north of Grace Street, those between Seventh and Adams Streets, south of Grace Street, will form on Fourth Street, north of Franklin Street, and report to T. A. Miller, being prepared to march at 2:30 P. M.

Classes west of Adams Street will form on the south side of Grace Street, west of Adams Street, report to G. S. Morton, and be ready to move at 2:30 P. M.

Gallery Open to All.

The procession will enter the Auditorium through the main entrance at the extreme west end of the building. Seating is requested to form in four rows, and keep their class formation to save confusion and delay. The gallery of the Auditorium will be opened for men at 2:30 o'clock, but the first floor will not be opened to the public until the men in the procession arrive and have been seated. All men interested in Bible study are invited to attend the meeting.

High School Nearing Completion.

The City School Board met yesterday afternoon for the purpose of passing on some details relative to the building of the High School building. According to Chairman Hutzler, the work is in the most satisfactory condition, and the building soon be ready for occupancy. From present indications the structure will be ready for the dedication exercises in the early part of December.

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CAROLINA ABANDONS FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

CHARITY PROBLEM TO BE DISCUSSED

Will Show How Poor Are Supplied at Annual Meeting To-Night.

Plans for the winter's work among the deserving poor of Richmond will be discussed to-night at the annual meeting of the Associated Charities, in the auditorium of the Jefferson Hotel. Reports submitted by Rev. James Buchanan, secretary of the organization, will show the wonderful strides charity work has made in this city, and the great problem those interested have undertaken to solve. The meeting will be given solely to discuss plans and addresses, and no contributions of any kind will be asked for.

The annual meeting is always largely attended, and it is surprising to note that whereas a few years ago there was no society for the relief of the public from the general invasion of beggars, there is now a well organized, well-conducted movement afoot, which has the support of many of the leading citizens. Hundreds of dollars have been expended in extending the needy, but Dr. Buchanan and his assistants have carefully noted each expenditure, and every cent paid out is accounted for.

The Home of the Charities, formerly occupied by the Ballard Hotel, in its day the resort of the most exclusive society set, has been thoroughly remodelled, at remarkably small cost, as the management has used applicants for shelter and food in doing the work, and they have thus earned their livelihood.

Thousands of persons have been supplied during the year, but no names are given out to the general public, and discussions are based entirely on general lines.

Robert A. Lancaster, Jr., will preside over the meeting to-night, inviting to which have been sent to every person who has contributed to the support of the work. The public is invited. Addresses will be delivered by the Rev. George W. McDaniell, D. D., of the First Baptist Church, and the Rev. James Buchanan. The only business will be the election of officers.

Henry W. Driscoll, Now Going Over Books of B. M. Adler. Henry W. Driscoll, auditor for I. J. Singer & Sons, admitted last night that there is a shortage in the books of B. M. Adler, manager of the Richmond branch, who disappeared on Sunday morning, but the auditor stated that he was not in a position to give any details. He came to Richmond from Atlanta on a summons from the firm arriving here Monday night. He has been busy since in going over Adler's accounts.

Adler left his wife and child, Mrs. Adler is distraught with grief, believing that her husband has been the victim of foul play. But that opinion is being held by others connected with the store.

Marriage License. A marriage license was issued yesterday in the Hustings Court to James T. Montgomery and Agnes Cecilia Butler. Mr. Montgomery is from Norfolk.

MOTHER SCREAMS, BUT BABY IS SAFE

Infant Takes Unexpected Plunge in Basin of Cold Water.

Because she thought her eighteen-months-old daughter, Lolla, was dead, yesterday aroused the neighborhood by her grief-stricken cries, and would not be comforted until those who hastened to her assistance assured her that the infant was in no real danger, and that saving ducking would cover the extent of the injury.

The mother and baby were alone at home together, and the infant had been placed on the back porch. A basin of cold water had been put at the top of the steps to prevent it from falling down them. The mother was in the rear upstairs room attending to her household duties, and lost sight of the child for a few minutes.

When she returned to the porch, the daughter had disappeared, and in glancing around she saw the little heels projecting above the edge of the basin. The baby's head and shoulders were submerged in shallow water. Mrs. Hobson declares she was too frightened to know what she was about, and her only thought was to remove the child from its precarious position.

Mrs. Hobson shrieked frantically for assistance, and several men and women rushed unceremoniously into the house. Their first news was that the mother was in a state of collapse, but when they investigated for themselves the child was found sitting on the porch, a picture of misery, although little worse for wear from its ducking.

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